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SUBJECT: FDA ADVISORY - RECALL OF "LIQUID NAILS" CONTAINING METHYL
METHACRYLATE MONOMER

1. FDA ADVISES THAT THE PRODUCT "LIQUID NAILS," AN ARTIFICIAL
FINGERNAIL PREPARATION, LIQUID AND POWDER ONLY, IN THEIR
INDIVIDUAL BOTTLES (NOTE - THE PRODUCT WAS, AT ONE TIME,
DISTRIBUTED IN A KIT FORM WHICH INCLUDED BOTH LIQUID AND
POWDER, AS WELL AS NAIL FORMS, A NAIL BRUSH, MEDICINE DROPPER,
AND NAIL FILE) HAS BEEN RECALLED BY THE FOOD AND DRUG
ADMINISTRATION FROM THE MARKET AS OF SEPTEMBER 16, 1974.
THE PRODUCT WAS DISTRIBUTED BY NAILTEX INC., 251 WEST 30TH
STREET, NEW YORK, N.Y. 10001. NAILTEX PURCHASED THE METHYL
METHACRYLATE MONOMER AND POLYMER FROM COE LABORATORIES THROUGH
THEIR ACRI-LUX-MARVEL DIVISION IN BULK AND SUBSEQUENTLY
REPACKED IT.

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2. THE LIQUID WAS DISTRIBUTED IN 4 OZ., 2 OZ., AND 1/4 OZ.
BOTTLES LABELED IN PART: "LIQUID NAILS LIQUID INFLAMMABLE--
NAILTEX INC.--MADE IN U.S.A." THE POWDER WAS DISTRIBUTED IN
4OZ., 2OZ., AND 1/8 OZ. BOTTLES LABELED IN PART: "LIQUID

NAIL POWDER INFLAMMABLE---NAILTEX INC---MADE IN U.S.A."
THE LABELS WILL VARY IN NET CONTENTS STATEMENT AND PLACE OF
REPACKING WOULD READ EITHER "NEW YORK, N.Y." OR "BROOKLYN,
N.Y."

3. NO LOT OR CATALOG ORDER NUMBERS ARE USED TO DENOTE TO
SPECIFIC PRODUCT. ALL "LIQUID NAILS" LIQUID AND POWDER DIS-
TRIBUTED PRIOR TO SEPTEMBER 16, 1974 IS UNDER RECALL. A
REVISED PRODUCT FORMULATION "NEW LIQUID NAILS" IS NOT REPEAT
NOT UNDER RECALL. THE FIRM, HOWEVER, CONTINUES TO SHIP THE
METHYL METHACRYLATE MONOMER AND POLYMER TO ITS FOREIGN
ACCOUNTS, AND LIKEWISE HAS SHIPPED ALL DOMESTIC RETURNS TO
OVERSEAS (FOREIGN) CONSIGNEES.

4. THE PRODUCT WAS RECALLED BECAUSE THE METHYL METHACRYLATE
MONOMER WAS CLASSIFIED AS A HARMFUL SUBSTANCE AND THE PRODUCT
WAS CONSIDERED TO BE ADULTERATED IN VIOLATION OF SECTION 601
OF THE FEDERAL FOOD DRUG AND COSMETIC ACT (CONTAINS A HARM-
FUL AND DELETERIOUS SUBSTANCE).

5. FOREIGN CONSIGNEES AS FOLLOWS:

L'ORIENT COSMETIC 7770 UBERLINGEN/BODENSEENV GRADEBERGSTRASSE 24,
WEST GERMANY
DE'LUX IMPORTS, MARKVEIEN 9, OSLO 5, NORWAY
DE-LUX IMPORTS - THIS FIRM'S ADDRESS IN SWEDEN IS UNKNOWN.
BOWMAN MARKETING GROUP, LONDON, ENGLAND

6. POSTS ARE REQUESTED TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER CONSIGNEES ARE
FAMILIAR WITH DETAILS OF RECALL AND MAY ALSO WISH TO INFORM
HOST GOVERNMENT'S REGULATORY AGENCY WHICH HAS JURISDICTION
OVER SUCH COSMETIC PRODUCTS OF THE DETAILS OF THE RECALL.
ANY QUESTIONS CONSIGNEES MAY HAVE REGARDING RECALL SHOULD BE
DIRECTED TO NAILTEX, INC. KISSINGER

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